

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, before line 3, please add the following new header:

--BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--

On page 1, before line 18, please add the following new header:

--SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--

On page 5, before line 6, please add the following new header:

--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS--

On page 5, before line 18, please add the following new header:

--DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS--

Please amend the paragraph spanning pages 5 and 6, beginning at line 32 of page 5, as follows:

--Since the partition is adapted to resist shaking of an earthquake, the anchoring of the lower rail 8 is preferably achieved using expanding metal plugs 12 of a diameter for example of 8 mm. Screws 14 of corresponding diameter are then used to cooperate with the plugs 12 and fix the lower rail 8 into the floor 2. Relatively small spacing between the

plugs 12 may also be provided, for example of the order of 50 to 60 cm.--

Please amend the paragraph spanning pages 7 and 8, beginning at line 31 of page 7, as follows:

--The top runner 30 comprises side flanges 36 which extend over the entire height of the base 32 and form the arms of the U of the profiled section member constituting the top runner 30. These side flanges 36, when the top runner 30 is fixed to the ceiling 4, extend in a plane that is vertical to the floor [[4]] 2. The width of the top runner 30 outside of the side flanges 36 is slightly less than the inside width of the slide 18, between the side arms 22.--